

## **REMARKS**

The specification has been amended herein to claim the benefit of priority of International Patent Application No. PCT/EP2004/010889 filed September 29, 2004, which in turn claims priority of German Patent Application No. 103 49 162.7 filed October 22, 2003. In addition, the claims have been amended, to remove multiple claim dependency therein, and place the application in form for examination. No new matter (35 USC 132) has been added.

It is requested that examination of this application proceed on the basis of the pending claims 1-13 in the application, as amended herein.

Respectfully submitted,



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